

**LIBRARY OF MICHIGAN  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
February 2, 2011  
10:00 a.m.**

**Call to Order**

Charles Myers, Chair, called the meeting of the Library of Michigan Board of Trustees to order at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, February 2, 2011, at the Library of Michigan.

**Attendance**

**Members Present:** B. Denise Bartlett (*via conference phone*), Barb Bonge (alternate for Chief Justice Robert Young, Jr.), Mike Flanagan (*via conference phone*), Kathy Irwin (*via conference phone*), Elaine Logan (*via conference phone*), Charles Myers (*via conference phone*), Carolyn Nash (*via conference phone*), Nancy Robertson, Francis “Bus” Spaniola (*via conference phone*), Carol Wolenberg (*via conference phone*)

**Members Absent:** Representative Shanelle Jackson, Mike Smith, Representative Jim Stamas

**Staff Present:** Mike Flanagan (*via conference phone*), Sheryl Mase (*via conference phone*), Lori Poznanski-Mason (recording secretary), Don Todaro

**Visitors:** Gretchen Couraud (*via conference phone*), Jim Seidl (*via conference phone*), Tim Staal (*via conference phone*)

Note: Due to inclement weather, the majority of members attended by phone.

**Agenda**

DENISE BARTLETT MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. THE MOTION PASSED.

**Minutes of  
December 3, 2010  
Meeting**

THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 3, 2010 MEETING WERE APPROVED UPON MOTION BY CAROL WOLENBERG.

**Board Reports**

**Board Chair’s**

Chuck presented the Board Chair report. Chuck thanked Mike Smith for his leadership as the previous chair. Chuck acknowledged the Board’s appreciation of Gail Parsons and Nancy Skowronski for their service to the Board. Chuck congratulated Bus on his re-appointment to the LM Board and welcomed new members Kathy Irwin, the MLA representative, and Carolyn Nash, the public libraries representative. Chief Justice Robert Young, Jr. replaced Justice Marilyn Kelly and Chief Justice Young designated Barb Bonge to continue as the Supreme Court designee to the Board. Carol Wolenberg will be the official designee for Superintendent Mike Flanagan.

**Board Members’  
Reports**

There were no Board member reports.

**Legislator Updates** There were no legislator updates.

**Partnership**

**Reports**

**Cooperatives**

Jim Seidl from the Library Cooperative Directors Association presented the Cooperatives' report.

**MAME**

Tim Staal presented the Michigan Association for Media in Education (MAME) report.

**MCLS**

The MCLS report was in the Board packet.

**MLA**

Kathy Irwin and Gretchen Couraud reported for MLA.

**State Librarian's  
Report**

The Library of Michigan has a newly re-focused mission, a revised reporting structure, and a re-organized staff.

The new Library of Michigan Foundation Director, Carolyn Sparks starts Monday, February 7. Joyce Ruttan, recently retired from the Library of Michigan, was hired as the Foundation secretary.

Carol Wolenberg has joined the LM Foundation Board. LM Board members should start thinking about providing concrete recommendations to the Foundation Board with regard to raising funds for current LM priorities.

The MeL database request for proposal RFP is ready for distribution.

Nancy continues to work to have the status of the federal depository participation changed from regional to selective.

The State Librarian's Excellence Award will be awarded in the Fall of 2011. Roger and June Mendel have agreed to sponsor the main award. The Library is still looking for sponsors of the \$500 Citation Awards.

Randy Riley is busy scheduling about fifty Michigan Notable Books author tours. The Night for Notables is planned for May 7.

Sheryl Mase and Karren Reish are working with the LM Foundation to find sponsors of the Michigan Reads! Program. Target is unable to declare sponsorship. Nancy asked Board members to contact her regarding potential sponsors of this program.

Randy Riley and Deb Biggs Thomas are tasked with marketing Library of Michigan services, including MeL. We will hear more from them at upcoming meetings.

Sheryl Mase spoke about the Project Compass grant and the upcoming Workforce Development Summit on May 24.

**Old Business**

There was no old business to discuss.

**New Business**

Discussion was held on the recruitment of additional members from the LM Board and elsewhere for the LM Foundation Board. In addition to Carol Wolenberg, Elaine Logan and Mike Smith currently serve on the Foundation Board as LM Board representatives. The LM Board recommended that Mike Smith continue to serve on the Foundation Board after his term with the LM Board expires at the end of September 2011.

Barb Bonge and Elaine Logan agreed to draft language to add to the LM Board Bylaws to have at least three LM Board representatives serve on the LM Foundation Board.

**2011 Meeting  
Dates**

The Library of Michigan Board will meet on the following dates in 2011:

Tuesday, April 5

Wednesday, September 14

Wednesday, December 7

All meetings will take place from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Meetings will be held in the 5<sup>th</sup> floor Board Room of the Michigan Library and Historical Center.

**Adjournment**

ELAINE LOGAN MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. THE MOTION PASSED AND THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:10 A.M.

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Charles Myers, Chair

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Nancy R. Robertson, State Librarian